- (9) Liaison Services Specialists of the General Services Bureau of the Panama Canal Commission.
- (10) Positions at non-manual grade 5 and grade 7 level (not to exceed 35 in number) designated for use by the Panama Canal Commission for filling positions in the Professional and Administrative Career Intern Program with high-potential Panamanian citizens.
- (d) All Bureau Directors and Heads of Independent Units of the Panama Canal Commission are excluded from the provisions of sections 1212, 1213, 1215 and 1216 of subchapter II, subparts B and C of this part and subpart B of part 251, except for §§251.25, 251.31 and 251.32 of this chapter.
- (e) Positions of student assistant, apprentice and learner, and the incumbents thereof, are excluded from the provisions of section 1225(b)(2) of the Panama Canal Act.

(5 U.S.C. 5102, E.O. 12173, 12215)

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PANAMA CANAL BOARD OF APPEALS

§ 253.11 Establishment; composition; appointment of members; alternates; employees.

- (a) There is established a Panama Canal Board of Appeals to review and determine the classification appeals of employees.
- (b) The Board shall consist of five members, all of whom shall be civilians employed by the Federal Government and appointed by the Assistant Secretary of the Army as follows:
- (1) One member shall be nominated by the Office of Personnel Management.
- (2) Two members shall be selected from among employees of U.S. Government agencies in the Republic of Panama (one from a Department of Defense agency and the other from the Panama Canal Commission) and shall be appointed only after appropriate consultation with the advice from organizations representing such employees.
- (3) The remaining members (one from Department of Defense and one from

Panama Canal Commission) will be selected by the Assistant Secretary of the Army.

- (c) The Assistant Secretary of the Army shall appoint one of the members as Chairman of the Board.
- (d) For each member of the Board, two alternate members shall be appointed, following the same criteria as for appointment of members. An alternate shall serve on the Board whenever the member for whom he is the alternate is unable to serve for any reason.
- (e) The Panama Area Personnel Board will provide administrative and logistical support necessary to accomplish Board functions.

§253.12 Decisions of the Board.

- (a) Decisions of the Board on any question or other matter relating to an appeal shall be made by majority vote of its members.
- (b) Decisions of the Board are final and conclusive and the agency concerned shall take action in accordance with the decision.

§253.13 Classification appeals.

- (a) Any employee may request at any time that his employing agency review and revise or adjust the classification, grade, and pay level of his position, or any of them, as the case may be. Such requests for review and revision or adjustment shall be submitted and adjustment shall be submitted and adjudicated in accordance with the regularly established procedures of the employing agency.
- (b) In the event of adverse classification decision by the employing agency, an employee shall have the right to appeal, in writing, to the Panama Canal Board of Appeals.

§253.14 Terms of members.

The term of service for each member or alternate member of the Panama Canal Board of Appeals shall be for 2 years, provided that the Assistant Secretary of the Army may, in his discretion, terminate or extend the term of service of any member or alternate member at any time. Individuals who are designated as members or alternate members shall be detailed to the Panama Canal Board of Appeals for such periods as their services are required.